



MUR-7450

RECEIVED

FEB 04 2002

TECH CENTER 1600/2900

PATENT

20/0
2/8/02
NW

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Brian Burchell : Art Unit: 1655
Serial No.: 09/142,095 : Examiner: J. Taylor Cleveland
Filed: November 2, 1998 :
FOR: DRUG TRIAL ASSAY :
SYSTEM :

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Responsive to the Official Action dated August 20, 2001, please reconsider the application in view of the following amendments and remarks:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 1.

Please replace claims 2-13 with the following amended claims:

1 2. (Twice Amended) A method for screening individuals for
2 participation in clinical drug trials, the method comprising the steps of:
3 a) collecting a sample from an individual,
4 b) screening the sample for a genetic basis of Gilbert's
5 Syndrome, and